

HO-1083

6362 Forrest Avenue, Harwood Park
Private

Description:

The house at 6362 Forrest Avenue is a 1 ½-story, two-bay by one-bay frame structure with a one-story, three-bay by one-bay frame ell on the rear. The house is built with CMU piers on the foundation, has aluminum siding, and has a gable roof with asphalt shingles. The main block ridge runs northwest-southeast, while the ell ridge runs northeast-southwest. The northeast elevation has a large shed-roofed dormer with asphalt shingle siding. The southeast elevation of the ell has a three-sided bay window in the center with two six-over-six wood sash on the southeast front and one six-over-six wood sash on each side. To the east is a wood door with two lying lights over three lying panels.

Significance:

The house at 6362 Forrest Avenue in Harwood Park appears to have been built all at once with the front facing southeast, intending to face toward Highland Avenue, but this road never got extended to the southwest and Forrest Avenue was never extended to the northeast. The house is generally two cape cods put together at a 90 degree angle to each other, with a shed-roofed dormer on the side of the main block. This dormer was popularized in the 1920s and 30s with Dutch Colonial Revival houses. Cape Cod houses became very popular for small, affordable, middle-class housing immediately after World War II. The tax assessments note a date of 1955 for the construction of this house, and there is little reason to dispute it. Harwood Park was created by Charles Wood, William Harmon, and Clifford Harmon, partners of Wood, Harmon & Co. of Baltimore. They acquired the land that would become Harwood Park in 1893 and laid out a traditional grid-plan suburb that had over 1000 lots strategically located along the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad southwest of Baltimore City. The house at 6362 Forrest Avenue is scheduled to be demolished in 2012 for new development, though the nature of the new houses is not known at this time.

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1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic

other

2. Location

street and number 6362 Forrest Avenue _____ not for publication

city, town	Harwood Park	vicinity
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county	Howard
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3. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name	Joseph Holzinger & wife, c/o Patricia Hasenei
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street and number 7337 Argonne Drive

telephone

city, town	Marriottsville	state	MD	zip code	21104
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4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc.	Howard County Courthouse	liber	198 folio	230
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city, town	Ellicott City	tax map	38	tax parcel	873	tax ID number
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5. Primary Location of Additional Data

- ☐ Contributing Resource in National Register District
☐ Contributing Resource in Local Historic District
☐ Determined Eligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
☐ Determined Ineligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
☐ Recorded by HABS/HAER
☐ Historic Structure Report or Research Report at MHT
☐ Other:

6. Classification

Category

_____ district
 X building(s)
 _____ structure
 _____ site
 _____ object

Ownership

☐ public
☒ private
☐ both

Current Function

<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape
<input type="checkbox"/> commerce/trade	<input type="checkbox"/> recreation/culture
<input type="checkbox"/> defense	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> domestic	<input type="checkbox"/> social
<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
<input type="checkbox"/> funerary	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress
<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> unknown
<input type="checkbox"/> health care	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> vacant/not in use
<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

Resource Count

Contributing	Noncontributing
<u>1</u>	<u>0</u> buildings
<u>0</u>	<u>0</u> sites
<u>0</u>	<u>0</u> structures
<u>0</u>	<u>0</u> objects
1	0 Total

Number of Contributing Resources
previously listed in the Inventory

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7. Description

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Condition

<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> altered

Prepare both a one paragraph summary and a comprehensive description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

The house at 6362 Forrest Avenue is located in Harwood Park, near Elkridge in eastern Howard County, Maryland. The house is located at the intersection of Highland Avenue, on a wooded lot that slopes down to the southwest, and faces northeast to the bed of the road, which was never cut through.

The house is a 1 1/2-story, two-bay by one-bay frame structure with a one-story, three-bay by one-bay frame ell on the rear. The house is built with CMU piers on the foundation, has aluminum siding, and has a gable roof with asphalt shingles. The main block ridge runs northwest-southeast, while the ell ridge runs northeast-southwest. There is an interior parged chimney at the intersection of the main block and ell, just southwest of the ell ridge, and an exterior CMU chimney on the southwest elevation of the ell, just south of the ridge.

The northeast elevation has a metal six-panel door in the north bay of the first story, with a short one-over-one sash to the east of it in a larger opening that has infill above the sash. There are plastic window blinds on this opening, and it appears to have originally been a paired sash that was converted to a door. There is a pressure-treated wood deck and ramp in front of the house. The east bay has paired six-over-six wood sash with plastic window blinds. The upper story has a large shed-roofed dormer with asphalt shingle siding and two two-light sash with wood blinds.

The southeast elevation of the main block has a wood four-over-four sash with plastic window blinds on the first story. The gable end opening is closed with wood blinds. The gable end has asphalt shingle siding. The ell has a three-sided bay window in the center with two six-over-six wood sash on the southeast front and one six-over-six wood sash on each side. To the east is a wood door with two lying lights over three lying panels. It has an aluminum pent roof above it.

The southwest elevation has paired new one-over-one sash set south of center. The gable end has asphalt shingle siding and paired wood four-over-four sash.

The northwest elevation of the main block has a one-over-one sash on the first story and paired one-light casements in the gable end, with asphalt shingle siding here. The ell has a door with two lying lights over three lying panels in the center, with no stairway below it. The west bay has a six-over-six wood sash and the north bay has a taller, narrow six-over-six wood sash.

There are no other buildings on the property.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance	Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> health/medicine	<input type="checkbox"/> performing arts	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> invention	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-1999	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment/	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion	
<input type="checkbox"/> 2000-	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> recreation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science	
	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> ethnic heritage	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> social history	
	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/	<input type="checkbox"/> maritime history	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation	
	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other: _____	

Specific dates N/A

Architect/Builder N/A

Construction dates c. 1955

Evaluation for:

☐ National Register

☐ Maryland Register

☒ not evaluated

Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance projects, complete evaluation on a DOE Form – see manual.)

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9. Major Bibliographical References

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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of surveyed property 18,000 sq. ft.
Acreage of historical setting 18,000 sq. ft.
Quadrangle name Relay

Quadrangle scale: 1:24000

Verbal boundary description and justification

The boundaries consist of the outlines of the property, tax map 38, parcel 873, which encompasses all of the historic buildings and features on the site.

11. Form Prepared by

name/title	Ken Short		
organization	Howard County Department of Planning & Zoning	date	April 2012
street & number	3430 Courthouse Drive	telephone	410-313-4335
city or town	Ellicott City	state	MD

The Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

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DHCD/DHCP
100 Community Place
Crownsville, MD 21032-2023
410-514-7600



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6362 Forrest Avenue
Relay quad

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6362 Forrest Avenue, Harwood Park
Howard County, Maryland
Ken Short, photographer

Photo Log

Nikon D-70 camera
HP Premium Plus paper
HP Gray Photo print cartridge

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Southeast & northeast elevations

HO-1083_2012-02-21_02
Northwest & southwest elevations



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Southeast + northeast elevations

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